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| Applicant | : | Devore, et al. | Group Art Unit 3731 |
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| For | : | INTRA-BRONCHIAL OBSTRUCTING DEVICE THAT CONTROLS BIOLOGICAL INTERACTION WITH THE PATIENT | |
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper. A "Replacement Sheet" for each sheet of drawings being amended can be found in the Appendix.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.